

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 SB3050

Introduced 1/20/2006, by Sen. John O. Jones

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

730 ILCS 5/3-7-6

from Ch. 38, par. 1003-7-6

Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Re-enacts the provisions of Section 3-7-6 of the Code, relating to reimbursement of the Department for the costs of incarceration. This Section was affected by Public Act 88-669, which has been held to be unconstitutional as a violation of the single subject clause of the Illinois Constitution. Includes validation provisions. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT in relation to criminal law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. Findings; purpose; validation.

- (a) The General Assembly finds and declares that:
- (1) Public Act 88-669, effective November 29, 1994, contained provisions amending Section 3-7-6 of the Unified Code of Corrections, relating to reimbursement of the Department for the costs of incarceration. Public Act 88-669 also contained other provisions.
- (2) The Illinois Supreme Court declared Public Act 88-669 to be unconstitutional as a violation of the single subject clause of the Illinois Constitution in *People v. Olender*, Docket No. 98932, opinion filed December 15, 2005.
- (b) The purpose of this Act is to re-enact the provisions of Section 3-7-6 of the Unified Code of Corrections and to minimize or prevent any problems concerning those provisions that may arise from the unconstitutionality of Public Act 88-669. This re-enactment is intended to remove any question as to the validity and content of those provisions; it is not intended to supersede any other Public Act that amends the provisions re-enacted in this Act. The re-enacted material is shown in this Act as existing text (i.e., without underscoring) and includes changes made by subsequent amendments.
- (c) The re-enactment of Section 3-7-6 of the Unified Code of Corrections by this Act is not intended, and shall not be construed, to impair any legal argument concerning whether those provisions were substantially re-enacted by any other Public Act.
- (d) All otherwise lawful actions taken before the effective date of this Act in reliance on or pursuant to the provisions re-enacted by this Act, as those provisions were set forth in Public Act 88-669 or as subsequently amended, by any officer,

- employee, or agency of State government or by any other person or entity, are hereby validated, except to the extent
- 3 prohibited under the Illinois or United States Constitution.
- 4 (e) This Act applies, without limitation, to actions
- 5 pending on or after the effective date of this Act, except to
- 6 the extent prohibited under the Illinois or United States
- 7 Constitution.
- 8 Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by
- 9 re-enacting Section 3-7-6 as follows:
- 10 (730 ILCS 5/3-7-6) (from Ch. 38, par. 1003-7-6)
- 11 Sec. 3-7-6. Reimbursement for expenses.
- 12 (a) Responsibility of committed persons. For the purposes
- of this Section, "committed persons" mean those persons who
- 14 through judicial determination have been placed in the custody
- of the Department on the basis of a conviction as an adult.
- 16 Committed persons shall be responsible to reimburse the
- 17 Department for the expenses incurred by their incarceration at
- 18 a rate to be determined by the Department in accordance with
- 19 this Section.
- 20 (1) Committed persons shall fully cooperate with the
- 21 Department by providing complete financial information for
- the purposes under this Section.
- 23 (2) The failure of a committed person to fully
- cooperate as provided for in clauses (3) and (4) of
- 25 subsection (a-5) shall be considered for purposes of a
- 26 parole determination. Any committed person who willfully
- 27 refuses to cooperate with the obligations set forth in this
- 28 Section may be subject to the loss of good conduct credit
- towards his or her sentence of up to 180 days.
- 30 (a-5) Assets information form.
- 31 (1) The Department shall develop a form, which shall be
- 32 used by the Department to obtain information from all
- 33 committed persons regarding assets of the persons.
- 34 (2) In order to enable the Department to determine the

financial status of the committed person, the form shall provide for obtaining the age and marital status of a committed person, the number and ages of children of the person, the number and ages of other dependents, the type and value of real estate, the type and value of personal property, cash and bank accounts, the location of any lock boxes, the type and value of investments, pensions and annuities and any other personalty of significant cash value, including but not limited to jewelry, art work and collectables, and all medical or dental insurance policies covering the committed person. The form may also provide for other information deemed pertinent by the Department in the investigation of a committed person's assets.

- (3) Upon being developed, the form shall be submitted to each committed person as of the date the form is developed and to every committed person who thereafter is sentenced to imprisonment under the jurisdiction of the Department. The form may be resubmitted to a committed person by the Department for purpose of obtaining current information regarding the assets of the person.
- (4) Every committed person shall complete the form or provide for completion of the form and the committed person shall swear under oath or affirm that to the best of his or her knowledge the information provided is complete and accurate.
- (b) Expenses. The rate at which sums to be charged for the expenses incurred by a committed person for his or her confinement shall be computed by the Department as the average per capita cost per day for all inmates of that institution or facility for that fiscal year. The average per capita cost per day shall be computed by the Department based on the average per capita cost per day for the operation of that institution or facility for the fiscal year immediately preceding the period of incarceration for which the rate is being calculated. The Department shall establish rules and regulations providing for the computation of the above costs, and shall determine the

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average per capita cost per day for each of its institutions or facilities for each fiscal year. The Department shall have the power to modify its rules and regulations, so as to provide for the most accurate and most current average per capita cost per day computation. Where the committed person is placed in a facility outside the Department, the Department may pay the actual cost of services in that facility, and may collect reimbursement for the entire amount paid from the committed person receiving those services.

(c) Records. The records of the Department, including, but not limited to, those relating to: the average per capita cost per day for a particular institution or facility for a particular year, and the calculation of the average per capita cost per day; the average daily population of a particular Department correctional institution or facility for a particular year; the specific placement of a particular committed person in various Department correctional institutions or facilities for various periods of time; and the record of transactions of a particular committed person's trust account under Section 3-4-3 of this Act; may be proved in any legal proceeding, by a reproduced copy thereof or by a computer printout of Department records, under the certificate of the Director. If reproduced copies are used, the Director must certify that those are true and exact copies of the records on file with the Department. If computer printouts of records of the Department are offered as proof, the Director must certify those computer printouts are true and representations of records properly entered into standard electronic computing equipment, in the regular course of the Department's business, at or reasonably near the time of the occurrence of the facts recorded, from trustworthy and reliable information. The reproduced copy or computer printout shall, without further proof, be admitted into evidence in any legal proceeding, and shall be prima facie correct and prima facie evidence of the accuracy of the information contained therein.

(d) Authority. The Director, or the Director's designee,

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may, when he or she knows or reasonably believes that a committed person, or the estate of that person, has assets which may be used to satisfy all or part of a judgment rendered under this Act, or when he or she knows or reasonably believes that a committed person is engaged in gang-related activity and has a substantial sum of money or other assets, provide for the forwarding to the Attorney General of a report on the committed person and that report shall contain a completed form under subsection (a-5) together with all other information available concerning the assets of the committed person and an estimate of the total expenses for that committed person, and authorize the Attorney General to institute proceedings to require the persons, or the estates of the persons, to reimburse the Department for the expenses incurred by their incarceration. The Attorney General, upon authorization of the Director, or the Director's designee, shall institute actions on behalf of the Department and pursue claims on the Department's behalf in probate and bankruptcy proceedings, to recover from committed the expenses incurred by their confinement. purposes of this subsection (d), "gang-related" activity has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 10 of the Illinois Streetgang Terrorism Omnibus Prevention Act.

- (e) Scope and limitations.
- (1) No action under this Section shall be initiated more than 2 years after the release or death of the committed person in question.
- (2) The death of a convicted person, by execution or otherwise, while committed to a Department correctional institution or facility shall not act as a bar to any action or proceeding under this Section.
- (3) The assets of a committed person, for the purposes of this Section, shall include any property, tangible or intangible, real or personal, belonging to or due to a committed or formerly committed person including income or payments to the person from social security, worker's compensation, veteran's compensation, pension benefits, or

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from any other source whatsoever and any and all assets and property of whatever character held in the name of the person, held for the benefit of the person, or payable or otherwise deliverable to the person. Any trust, or portion of a trust, of which a convicted person is a beneficiary, shall be construed as an asset of the person, to the extent that benefits thereunder are required to be paid to the person, or shall in fact be paid to the person. At the time of a legal proceeding by the Attorney General under this Section, if it appears that the committed person has any assets which ought to be subjected to the claim of the Department under this Section, the court may issue an order requiring any person, corporation, or other legal entity possessed or having custody of those assets to appropriate any of the assets or a portion thereof toward reimbursing the Department as provided for under this Section. No provision of this Section shall be construed in violation of any State or federal limitation on the collection of money judgments.

(4) Nothing in this Section shall preclude the Department from applying federal benefits that are specifically provided for the care and treatment of a committed person toward the cost of care provided by a State facility or private agency.

(Source: P.A. 92-564, eff. 1-1-03.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.